

in the mangroves. Mr. Favalaro, who, as he intended visiting the MacPherson Ranges later, did not go to Mount Tambourine, spent that day at the Enoggera Reservoir studying the Jacana.

Report of Hon. Editor of "The Emu"

To enumerate the various articles that the recent issues of *The Emu* have contained and acclaim their merits, is futile, for members have been able to see for themselves the quality of the journal. The Editor gratefully acknowledges the efforts of those whose contributions have been forthcoming at opportune times. Complimentary letters on the excellence of the magazine have been sent from time to time, and to all those whose articles and photos. have recently added interest to the pages of the magazine the Editor passes on the portion thereof that their help merits.

That New Zealand and Great Britain as well as each State of the Commonwealth have been represented in the last few issues is indicative that the widespread interest in the affairs of the Union, formerly appertaining, is not flagging. But the writings of some of the veteran contributors of earlier years whose engrossing articles make such interesting reading in back numbers, are seen no more. In order to familiarise himself with ornithological events of the past the Editor has often to peruse those back numbers, and it is noticeable that many well-known ornithologists and naturalists whose names appear in those early pages, no longer contribute. It is hoped that those who know themselves to be of that number will feel reproved by this reminder and send along a contribution to enhance the journal in the near future.

To those constant contributors upon whom the Editor has come to feel that he can always rely for a contribution when material is needed, he says "Carry on"; to those who probably have much of ornithological interest, but who hitherto have not contributed, he expresses his hope that they will render what assistance they can in maintaining the standard set by earlier Editors, a standard that is an inspiring criterion.

The Editor's thanks are due to the Editorial Committee, from the members of which he knows that advice and consideration can always be obtained if required. Special mention also is warranted of Mr. Cayley's excellent colour plates, an important factor in ensuring the continued popularity and general interest of *The Emu*.

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Hon. Editor.